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OPGS News

OPGS Seeks 2009-2010 Strengthening Partners Initiative Participants. *OPGS* is seeking up to 30 nonprofit and/or faith-based organizations to participate in its year-long capacity building program, the Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI). This 12-month intensive training program will help you and your organization acquire skills and resources to respond to complex obstacles and opportunities encountered by nonprofit organizations. Topics and activities addressed in the program include: implementing successful fundraising plans; improving administrative and program operations; and collaborating with like-minded nonprofit organizations. The application deadline is August 28, 2009. To learn more and to download the application visit our website, www.opgs.dc.gov and click on the link to Strengthening Partners Initiative.

Summer GIRC Hours. The Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC) provides technical assistance and information about resources that improve community services in the District of Columbia for its "customers" -District government, nonprofit, and faith-based representatives. The primary focus is to assist customers who either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to strengthen their organizations. The GIRC will be open Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., by appointment only. Thursdays are reserved for previous GIRC users. To make an appointment call 202-727-8900.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) News

Recovery Act and Grants.gov

A new feature was unveiled on Grants gov to help users find and apply for ARRA grant opportunities. The launch of the ARRA or Recovery Act feature on the homepage of Grants.gov will direct users to Recovery Act opportunities, other Recovery Act resources, upcoming Webinars and links to www.whitehouse.gov/recovery and www.recovery.gov.

Recovery Act Webinars

Grants.gov is offering webinars on Recovery Act funds in August. Registration will open on August 10, 2009. Go to http://www.grants.gov/applicants/recovery_webinar.jsp to learn more and to register.

Federal Opportunities

Please note – if the link for a Federal Grant opportunity does not work, go to www.grants.gov and enter the CFDA # (found in our Grants Database http://app.opgs.dc.gov/grantautomation/grantfinder.asp by inputting the "Grant ID" number provided below).

Community Capacity Development Office (CCDO) FY10 Weed and Seed Communities Competitive

Program Guide. Department of Justice (DOJ) announces funds to support "the Weed and Seed strategy," which aims to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, criminal drug-related activity, and gang activity. The Weed and Seed strategy is a community-based, comprehensive multi-agency approach. Four elements make up the twopronged Weed and Seed Strategy: Law Enforcement; Community Policing; Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment; and Neighborhood Restoration. Weed and Seed Communities (WSCs) must work to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for residents in a community primarily through the redeployment of existing public and private resources, addressing both crime and social related problems that without proper intervention often lead to violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faithbased organizations, community-based organizations and DC government agencies.

Deadline: December 1, 2009.

Funds: Awards range up to \$150,000. A match is required.

Information: CCDO at (202) 616-1152 or go to: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo/funding/appl kit.html.

GrantID: GD3517



Part C EIS: Categorical Grant Program to Provide Outpatient Early Intervention Services with Respect to HIV Disease. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) announces funds to provide, on an ongoing outpatient basis, high quality early intervention services/primary care to individuals with HIV infection. These services become part of a continuum of HIV prevention and care for individuals who are at risk for HIV infections or are HIV infected. All early intervention services (EIS) programs must provide: HIV counseling and testing; counseling and education on living with HIV; appropriate medical evaluation and clinical care; and other essential services such as oral health care, outpatient mental health services, outpatient substance abuse services and nutritional services, and appropriate referrals for specialty services.

<u>Eligibility:</u> City or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and public housing authorities.

Deadline: October 16, 2009.

<u>Funds:</u> \$30,627,505 is available to fund 73 awards. A match is required. **Information:** Kathleen Treat at (301) 443-7602 or ktreat@hrsa.gov; or go to:

https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=A817AB57-5BC8-40C3-8102-D84018D49236.

GrantID: GD3516

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: http://opgs.dc.gov/, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Department of Health	2009 HIV Counseling, Testing, Referral and Navigator Services Grant	August 10, 2009
Department of Health	Effi Barry HIV/AIDS Program: Supporting District organizations to increase capacity to provide HIV-related prevention, care and support services	August 10, 2009
Department of Health	FY2010 Food Services Grant	August 10, 2009
Department of Human Services	Promoting Responsible Fatherhood Community Access	August 28, 2009
District Department of the Environment	District Department of the Environment Notice of Funding Availability	September 4, 2009
Department of Human Services	Refugee Resettlement Grant	September 4, 2009
Serve DC	2009 Make A Difference Day Grant	September 8, 2009
DC Commission on Arts and Humanities (DCARTS)	All DCARTS Grant Opportunities – visit http://dcarts.dc.gov to learn more	Dates vary.



Foundations

Bicycle Advocacy and Facilities Programs. *Bikes Belong* announces funds to organizations that are committed to "putting more people on bicycles more often." Projects include paved bike paths and rail-trails as well as mountain bike trails, bike parks, BMX facilities, and large-scale bicycle advocacy initiatives.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and DC government agencies.

Deadline: August 24, 2009.

Funds: Awards range up to \$10,000.

Information: Elizabeth Train at (303) 449-4893 or elizabeth@bikesbelong.org; or go to:

http://www.bikesbelong.org/grants.

GrantID: GD3521

Community-Based Racial Healing. *W.K. Kellogg Foundation* announces funds to strengthen and bolster community-based approaches for racial healing and equity efforts targeting vulnerable and marginalized children.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations.

Deadline: September 30, 2009.

Funds: Awards range up to \$400,000.

Information: Teresa Odden at (269) 969-2025 or tlo@wkkf.org; or go to:

http://wrm.wkkf.org/uWebRequestManager/UI/Application.aspx?tid=b9d2b664-15ff-4472-88bd-

02f2a2fd8c17&LanguageID=0.

GrantID: GD3518

National Wildlife Refuge Friends Group Grant Program. *National Fish and Wildlife Foundation* announces funds for projects that assist organizations to be effective co-stewards of our Nation's important natural resources within the National Wildlife Refuge System. Creative and innovative proposals are sought to increase the number and effectiveness of organizations interested in assisting the Refuge System nationwide.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: September 4, 2009.

Funds: Awards range from \$1,500-\$5,000.

Information: Ellen Gabel at (202) 857-0166 or ellen.gabel@nfwf.org; or go to:

http://www.nfwf.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Charter Programs List&CONTENTID=13319&TEMPLATE=/

CM/HTMLDisplay.cfm. GrantID: GD3519

Announcements and Resources

14th Annual MetLife Foundation Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing. *Enterprise Community Partners* and the *MetLife Foundation* announces funds to award four organizations the amount of \$50,000 each. This competition focuses on best practices in the area of affordable independent senior living and environmentally responsive housing. The awards were created to highlight leadership, innovation, service delivery and effectiveness, and quality operations in affordable housing. Eligible applicants are community-based or regional nonprofit organizations and tribes/tribally-designated housing entities. The application deadline is August 14, 2009. For more information go to:

http://www.enterprisecommunity.org/programs/awards and fellowships/awards/metlife foundation awards.

Back to School Book Bag Give Away. *Urban Change* and *The Life Center*, in partnership with DC Councilman Kwame Brown, are giving away 10,000 free book bags on August 16, 2009, at The Ambulatory Care Center at DC General, 1900 Massachusetts Ave SE, Washington DC. The event takes place from 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. and there will be activities for the entire family. For more information, go to: http://www.10000bookbags.com.



Celebrating Solutions Awards. *Mary Byron Project*, a national organization working to address the root causes of domestic violence and help build safer, healthier communities announces awards to showcase and applaud local innovations that demonstrate promise in breaking the cycle of violence. The program provides cash awards of \$10,000 to each organization. The awards would be presented to programs that can serve as models for the nation in their efforts to reduce violence. Eligible applicants are non-profits organizations and government agencies. Application deadline is November 17, 2009. For guidelines and nomination forms go to: http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html.

Color Your Community Contest. *Sherwin-Williams Company* is holding an essay contest for "Color Your Community." Individuals should submit a short essay that discusses a public space, such as a playground or non-profit community center, and why you feel such space requires and/or is deserving of a renovation. Winning entry could get a prize worth \$5,000 in paint, supplies and cash from Sherwin-Williams and iVillage to help refresh your community. The deadline for submitting the short essay is August 25, 2009. For more information go to: http://www.ivillage.com/0,,fn7cp620,00.html.

Previous Announcements and Resources

Breakthroughs in Shared Measurement and Social Impact. William and Flora Hewlett Foundation released an online report based on interviews conducted with dozens of practitioners and thought leaders in the social sector. The report describes twenty different shared measurement systems already in use and documents their contribution to increasing grantees' efficiency, knowledge, and impact. The findings identify shared approaches to performance, outcome, or impact measurement across multiple organizations. The report includes four in-depth case studies where collaborative learning and measurement systems are used to create systemic and adaptive approaches to solving social problems. To access the online report go to: http://www.fsg-impact.org/ideas/item/breakthroughs in measurement.html.

Competition: Rethinking Mental Health: Improving Community Wellbeing. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) announces an online, open source competition co-sponsored by RWJF's Vulnerable Populations Portfolio and Changemakers, that challenges organizations to explore innovations that allow individuals, families, communities and society to move past narrow perceptions of mental health and expand our understanding and collective involvement in finding solutions. The deadline for applications is October 14, 2009. For more information and to download the application go to http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20881.

Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders. *The Louisville Institute*, a center to support research and leadership education on American religion, announces funds to award up to forty grants for eight-week (\$10,000) and twelve-week (\$15,000) sabbaticals. Eligible applicants include but are not limited to Christian clergy, church staff members, denominational staff, and others employed in recognized positions of pastoral leadership, ordained and lay. The application deadline is September 1, 2009. For more information go to http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/sgpldetail.aspx.

Succeed Newsletter Summer 2009. *Grants.gov* is a central storehouse for information on over 1,000 grant programs, which provides access to approximately \$500 billion in annual awards. The website released "Succeed Newsletter Summer 2009" which provides information about Grant.gov website quarterly and is also a guide to the latest updates, handy tips and useful articles on how to best use Grants.gov. To view the "Success" newsletter go to: http://www.grants.gov//assets/grantsummernewsletter09.pdf.

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